

# *Code Compliance - FAQ*

The City of Sherwood Code Compliance Officer primarily enforces Municipal Code violations affecting the exterior condition of all property within the city limits. You can contact the Code Compliance Officer at 503-625-4236 or e-mail [millerd@sherwoodoregon.gov](mailto:millerd@sherwoodoregon.gov)

## **Common Concerns Include:**

### **My neighbor does not cut their grass!**

Sherwood Municipal Codes Section 8.16.160D & 9.44.020 requires citizens to mow their lawns on a regular basis. Grass/weeds cannot exceed ten (10) inches in height on all properties all year round. Why do I have to cut the grass along the City Street? The Sherwood Municipal Codes requires citizens to maintain their property all the way to the street.

### **I notice that the neighbor has stagnant water, filth, waste material or other debris around their yard.**

Sherwood Municipal Codes Section 9.44.030 requires that these hazards shall be removed and be kept removed from all property at all times.

### **My neighbor has junk all over their property!**

Outdoor storage is not allowed on residential properties per Municipal Codes 8.16.160J, 9.44.030 & 9.44.50. Items such as a barbecue grill, patio furniture, and stacked firewood are allowed, but other items such as waste building materials, auto parts, and appliances must be stored indoors.

### **My Neighbor has Junk Cars parked on their property!**

Section 8.16.160H prohibits any unregistered motor vehicle to be parked or kept or stored on any premises and no vehicle shall be in a state of major disassembly, disrepair or in the process of being stripped or dismantled.

### **My neighbor does not clean up after their dog!**

Sherwood Municipal Code 6.04.020 requires animal feces to be immediately removed and disposed of. A violation is a fine of \$250.00. Residents must clean up after their pets on a regular basis. Municipal Code 8.16.160 A and I pertains to sanitation and strong odors which are considered violations.

### **There are trees and bushes overhanging the stop signs and sidewalks!**

Street signs and sidewalks must be kept free of obstructions. It is the property owner's

responsibility to maintain the sidewalk area to be clear of all vegetation up to 7 feet high. Municipal Codes 9.44.030 and 16.58.010. See the clear vision pamphlet for more information.

**My neighbor is running a business from their residence!**

A home business is allowed in the City of Sherwood. They are primarily restricted to office uses in residential neighborhoods, and are regulated by the home occupation ordinance. Municipal code 16.12.020.

**My neighbor is parking their Camping Trailer or Boat on the street!**

Section 10.08.030 allows Boats, horse trailers, RV's and utility trailers to be parked on certain streets up to 48 hours provided they are attached to a motor vehicle, and the street is at least 28 feet in width. However, Boats, horse trailers, RV's and utility trailers may be parked in the driveway or in the rear or side yard of a property provided they are parked on an improved surface and do not extend into a sidewalk or street. **Contact police dispatch for all parking complaints at 503-629-0111.**

**My neighbor parks their RV on the street!**

Section 10.08.030 allows RV's and camping trailers to be parked on certain city streets provided they are operable and currently licensed. Any parked RV cannot be parked exceeding 48 hours. **Contact police dispatch for all parking complaints at 503-629-0111.**